

**NISBET DOUBT  
POSSIBILITY OF  
STATUS APARTE  
ON JANUARY 1,  
1986**



ORANJESTAD— Benny Nisbet, leader of the P.P.A. party says that due to the fact the Mini Conference with the Minister for Antillean affairs Mr. Jan de Koning was a failure, and that no agreement was reached between the Dutch and Antillean governments on the Solidarity Fund, he has serious doubts about the Status Aparte for Aruba on January 1, 1986.

Except for the M.E.P. party, the leader of several of the political parties have a similar opinion to that of the P.P.A. leader, and the recent political developments helped to confirm their opinion. Another factor is that so much time has been lost on account of internal difficulties in the M.E.P. party and polarisation between that party and the other factions that it is indeed doubtful if the M.E.P.'s aspiration could become a reality on January 1, 1986, without having to cut corners to meet the deadline, thereby jeopardizing the future of Aruba and causing irreparable damage.

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**SHELL WILL CLOSE DOWN  
IF THE GOVERNMENT DOES  
NOT COMPLY WITH FOUR  
CONDITIONS**

WILLEMSTAD— If it is not possible for the Central Government to make a decision on the conditions stipulated by Shell before the end of March, the refinery will not decide at that moment to close down, one of the directors of the Shell group Eng. J.H. Choufoer, told the Dutch newspaper "Het Vrije Volk"

.The management

of Shell in Curacao stipulated March 31 as the deadline to hear if the government will sign a letter of intent to participate in the refinery. Choufoer said in an interview with the newspaper that Shell will not come to a conclusion at once if the government has not decided by March 31 if it will participate with the majority of shares yes or no.

"But this situation can-

not last much longer", he said. In view of the heavy losses experienced by the refinery in recent years, the management of Shell in London and the Hague decided that the refinery must be closed. The only way to avoid the closure of the refinery is if the Central Government comply with the four conditions stipulated by Shell. Besides participating with the majority of shares;

Venezuela should supply the refinery with 50,000 barrels more crude per day, the refinery should lay off about 500 employees and eliminate the 28 million florins Shell pays the Government each year, with or without profit. If the Government does not comply with these conditions we will no longer be able to continue the operation of the refinery, said Engineer Chouboer.



These are the Candidates who participated Thursday in the Election for Carnival Queen at the RCA Stadium



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## CARNIVAL IN ARUBA IS SOMETHING

In spite of the imminent economic decline and the political turmoil and uncertainty on the island, the people of Aruba are celebrating the carnival season with the usual enthusiasm and gaiety. All the events were well attended, and as we come closer to the grand finale this weekend the mood is accelerating. In spite of the warnings of approaching financial crisis, people are spending money as usual to buy their costumes, drinks and food, and the parties and carnival dances are in full swing. Lights can be seen burning until the wee hours as people are putting the finishing touches on costumes and floats. It is indeed amazing how the Aruban population has adapted carnival, which as so many other things in Aruba, is imported. The Aruban people have made carnival a national celebration, and the spirit and enthusiasm for the pre-lenten festival is an indication that regardless of any situation, carnival is here to stay. People will

put their hearts into something that they love, and the efforts and dedication evident for carnival is an indication that the people of Aruba love carnival. Aruba carnival has also become popular overseas and there are people from the United States and Venezuela who return to Aruba year after year to see, participate in it and enjoy it. Many of those people have seen carnival in other parts of the world, but they unanimously agree that Aruba's carnival is something unique. Especially now that it is apparent that tourism will have to be our main source of our economy, the government, the hotels, and all other businesses that depend directly or indirectly on tourism should pay full attention to carnival: advertise it in international publications, create more carnival activities, sponsor groups and bands, and encourage the people to make Aruba's carnival one of the Caribbean's greatest attractions.

## POLICE TO CONTROL BARS ETC. ON CARNIVAL

ORANJESTAD-- Due to many calls from people expressing their concern about the number of young boys and girls who were seen drinking alcoholic beverages and behaving disorderly during the children's carnival Sunday in Oranjestad, the police announced

this week that bars, rumshops and other establishments will be severely controlled during the carnival parades this weekend.

Persons caught selling alcoholic beverages to minors will be fined and might even lose their license.

## Village Talk



by WILLY

A fella tell Willy dat he was jus'tinkin'bouk goin' in politik but he say dat hear dat blows start fallin' so now he change he moind.

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A old lady say dat fo she part dey cud keep all de drumban'an' all koind ah ban'becausin it ain't got nuttin to put picong in carnival bettah dan a steelban She as soon as she hear pan she head does raise.

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A fella say dat dey bettah change de lotto sistem. He say is too much ah up an' dong to get yuh money when yuh win. He say dey does give yuh a check den yuh have to go to de bank an' all koind ah ting. He say dat when he win catoochi he gettin' he money one toim.

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Well people can tink on ting. A fella tell Willy dat de poor dominicanas dem get tin de blame fo' everything but it got a lotta woman here from udder countries doin' de same ting an' gettin' away wid it.

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Well not even fo' de pastoor de thieves dem ain't got no respect. Willy hear dat dey bus' a raid on Catholic Pastoor in San Nicolas an' thief he bottle ah Whisky.

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A bartender in Playa tell Willy dat when it had de children canival Sunday a lil boy come in de bar an' ask fo' some watta. He say when he give de boy de watta he tek a bottle ah rum ouk he pocket, tek a shot an' chase it wid de watta. What a toim!....

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A lady tell Willy dat fo' de two children canivals dem she husband drink so much dat up to now he can't ketch heself. She say she wondah wha' goin'happen to he fo' de two big people canivals.

## A.T.I.A. & A.H.T.A. RECOMMENDATIONS TO GOVERNMENT

Continuation from last week

3 Taskforce and action points.

It is our suggestion to the government to form a small taskforce with the task to:

a/effect new business establishments and new economic activity.

b/contact companies and entrepreneurs in Venezuela with the object to attract them to Aruba in connection with the possibilities of the entrance of products in the European Common market and the USA.

c/inform Dutch companies about the possibilities for trade and industry establishments on Aruba.

d/contact American companies-high-tech-for establishing production units on Aruba.

e/contact project developers for a large scale development of the Seroe Colorado -Rodgers Beach area.

f/promote investment in hotels on Aruba.

g/study the possibilities of the present government Tourism Development plan and adjust the plan, if necessary, to new requirements for rapid development of the tourist sector. Such study to be made in cooperation with Ahata, the tourist bureau and other government department

h/study the present possibilities of a golfcourse at Bubali. Make plans for a course and look for entrepreneurs to build and operate the course.

i/set up local promotion campaigns to stimulate Arubans to build and operate smaller hotels and pensions.

j/attract enterprises specifically for the free zone.

k/promote cooperative enterprises and stimulate young people to start and enterprise.

l/search for funds to make it possible to offer long term financing and participation in the equity of new companies

m/expand the Banco de Desarrollo Arubano, in order to make growth of the investments-large

and small-possible. o/negotiate a change of policy concerning the development aid given by Holland. Try to convince Holland to change from projects to programs. Examples of programs to be financed with development aid:

1. Temporary aid to cover budget deficits of the Aruban government.

2. Program of financing lay-off programs of the government.

3. Program to educate laid off government personnel and prepare them for jobs in the private sector.

4. Programs concerning fields of social care-a.o. housing programs of FCCA -which may otherwise face problems due to lack of funds.

p/try to arrange commercial long term loans under Dutch Government guarantee for the financing of new projects in the private sector.

q/speed up the process to prepare bidding for exploration and operation of possible oil and gas field off the coast of Aruba.

**Conclusion**  
It is the opinion of the commission that the economic slump caused by Lago's closing, must be met with a strong accent on economic growth. Only if we expand tourism rapidly, is it possible to realize this growth, and can we bring back employment to reasonable levels. If we fail to create economic growth, Aruba will go into a negative spiral, with increased failures of enterprises, increased unemployment, further decrease of government income and after some time a situation in which the government has no means to guarantee basic needs such as food, shelter, education, healthcare etc. Our recommendations are geared to preventing such fatal development and to pull Aruba out of the negative spiral. Painful adjustments are necessary.

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# DUTCH AND ANTILLEAN GOVERNMENTS FAIL TO REACH AGREEMENT ON SOLIDARITY FUND



ORANJESTAD— The Mini Summit Conference on the future of the Netherlands Antilles which was held in the Aruba Concorde Hotel during the weekend was a flop. Apparently the Solidarity Fund was the biggest obstacle. The delegation could not reach an agreement on the Solidarity Fund. MEP leader Betico Croes surprised the other delegates when he sided with Minister de Koning's proposal that Holland contribute only 20

percent to the Solidarity Fund and Aruba 25 percent! Betico's declaration drew strong protests from A.V.P. and P.P.A. leaders, Henny Eman and Benny Nisbet. They claim that on several occasions Betico Croes said that Holland must accept the responsibility for the smaller islands, but now he wants to commit Aruba to pay 25 percent to the solidarity fund forever. "That is ridiculous and unacceptable", said Henny Eman. Mr. Eman

then asked what was the opinion of the Central Government regarding Betico's declaration. Minister Frank Rozendal replied that the Central Government definitely does not support de Koning's proposal that Holland contribute only 20 percent to the Solidarity Fund. Minister de Koning said that Holland's contribution should be symbolic due to the fact that Holland does not want to be-

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# GIRL DROWNED AT ANDICURI

ORANJESTAD— Yolanda Malva Joe, 13, drowned at Andicuri on Aruba's north coast Monday afternoon. Malva and 3 friends were sitting on a rock after swimming when a huge wave struck them and threw her into the sea. Nicolaas Gomez, one of her friends tried to rescue her but injured his leg and had to return

to the shore. Her body was spotted drifting off the coast Monday morning and the police assisted her relatives in bringing the corpse ashore. Yolanda was a pupil of Colegio Arubano and her school cancelled all its activities for the Carnival weekend. The local extends its sympathy to the relatives of the deceased.

## OBITUARY

Mr. Johan Geerman, better known as "Jan Barbero" passed away earlier this week at the age of 89 years. Mr. Geerman's Barbershop is located at the foot of the B.v. de Veen Zeppenfeldtstraat and has been a landmark in San Nicolas for many, many years. In spite of his advanced age, Jan Barbero



was, until recently, a familiar sight in his barbershop. The local extends its condolence to the relatives of the deceased.



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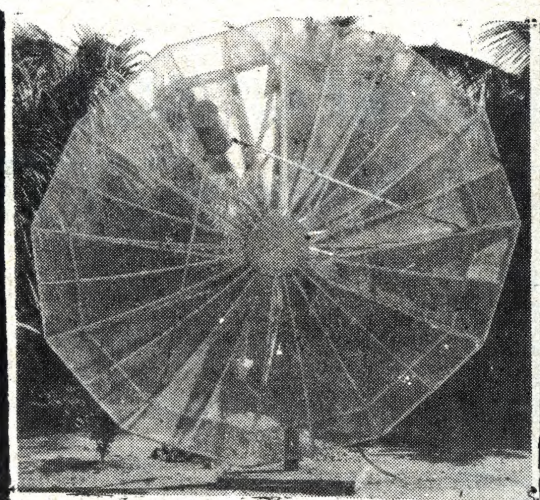
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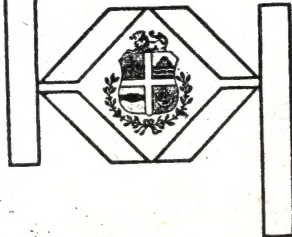
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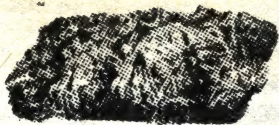
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believed that the fuel tanked in Aruba was contaminated. In regards to the above, Lago issued the following press release. LAGO OIL & TRANSPORT COMPANY, LTD. Discontinued the refueling Operations at the Queen Beatrix Airport on Friday afternoon, February 8, 1985 and resumed Operations as of noon

Sunday, February 10, 1985.

On Friday, February 8, Lago's airport personnel in Aruba reported that they considered the color of the jet fuel to be more yellow than usual. Representative samples were drawn and full analysis carried out. During this period it was deemed prudent to terminate refueling operations and all aviation customers who had received fuel earlier on February 8 were advised and appropriate actions taken. Results of the analysis confirmed that Lago's jet fuel at the Queen Beatrix airport in Aruba was in full compliance with all industry jet fuel specifications. As an extra precaution all jet fuel tanks, lines and refuelers at the airport were emptied, flushed and refilled.

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old mask parade and Jump Up from Licores Aruba to Vondellaan at 8 p.m. Carnival Dance at Bonaire Club from 9.30 p.m. to 3 a.m. Saturday

February 16, at 4 a.m., Jouvert Pyjama parade in San Nicolas. 1 p.m. Grand Carnival Parade in San Nicolas. Sunday February 17, starting at 11 a.m. Aruba's famous grand carnival parade in Oranjestad. Monday February 18 from 8 p.m. to 12 midnight, Carnifesta at the Promenade in San Nicolas. Tuesday February 19, Grand evening parade and burning of Momo from 7.30 p.m. to 12 midnight at the R.C.A. stadium. Friday Saturday February 23, Presentation of prizes and dance from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m. at Caiquetio Club in Paradera.

## DESIRED CHANGE MADE IN SAN NICOLAS CARNIVAL ROUTE

SAN NICOLAS— The petition signed by San Nicolas residents requesting a change in the carnival route had positive results. The S.A.C. announced that now the route is as fol-

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# PREVENTING AIRPLANE MISFUELING

Did you know that there are 5 times more aviation accidents caused by water and dirt in the fuel than from misfueling (pumping the wrong fuel into an airplane)? We heard a supposedly responsible representative of an aircraft manufacturer say that this means the industry should concentrate on the water and dirt problem instead of the misfueling problem. What a monkey! We already do many things to keep fuel clean and dry but what has been done in the past to prevent misfueling? The answer is almost nothing. Oh yes, we do label trucks, tanks, pipes and fill stands, but not always. The aircraft are supposed to have placards stating what fuel to use, but they do not always. Bottom loading e-

quipment can easily be keyed with product selectors that have been on the market for 30 years but they are not always installed. In fact, only a small fraction of the apparatus is so equipped. Misfueling accidents all have one thing in common-human error. After an air show, an experienced and highly professional pilot watched his light twin being refueled with a truck marked "jet fuel". Fortunately, he crash-landed safely. A very young, untrained line serviceman put jet fuel in a cabin twin because he saw the word TURBO in the name of the airplane. Seven people were killed. A dealer had a practice of keeping the unmarked jet fuel truck in one location and the unmarked avgas

truck in another. Guess what happened-someone made a mistake in parking the jet truck. The accident just happened so the full report is not yet available. A corporate pilot arrived at one of the world's largest airports and deliberately specified that he did not want fuel. He got it anyhow, jet fuel in his avgas cabin twin. The dealer caught this error before the pilot departed. So you see, it is always human error. Fortunately, someone has decided to do something positive about the whole crazy si-


uation. The General Aviation Manufacturers Association has promoted a campaign which is summarized below:

1. The word TURBO has been eliminated from airplane names.
2. Decals were designed and distributed for labeling filler caps.
3. Bands were designed for labeling all overwing refueling nozzles.
4. A keying system was devised to prevent a large jet fuel nozzle filler spout from entering a smaller avgas filler opening.

The fourth action is the

one that is the most important because it overcomes human error. Research showed that 74% of avgas aircraft have filler openings that are under 2.3" in diameter. Therefore, only 26% of the aircraft fleet would need to be modified with smaller openings if all jet fuel spouts on overwing nozzles were made larger. Through some very clever design, Shaw Aero, the largest manufacturer of caps and filler openings, developed an insert to reduce the size of the large openings. These kits are being

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offered by the airframe manufacturers, such as Piper, Cessna, Beech, Mooney and Aero Commander. All new avgas aircraft manufactures after early 1984 have a small filler opening.

The spouts on overwing nozzles now in service are already sized to fit through the smallest filler openings. However, to make the system work, every overwing nozzle that dispenses jet fuel must have a new spout that is large enough so it will not enter an avgas opening. OPW Division of Dover Corp. is in production with the new spouts but it was not quite as simple as making a large spout. The problem is that some jet fuel led aircraft have a "D" shaped opening; they are not round. The solution was a spout that is oval shaped. It measures 2.6" at the largest point so it will not enter a 2.3 opening, but it will enter the

"D" shaped opening.

So now you may think that the problem of mis-fueling is solved. Unfortunately, it is not solved because of several other problems:

1. There is no law that an airplane owner must install the restrictor kits. As of this writing, the FAA has said they have no intention of forcing owners to install the kits. It is a voluntary program.
2. There is no law that forces a dealer, FBO or oil company to install the new oval spouts on their jet fuel nozzles.
3. After all of the heavy research that went into the design of the system, some aircraft that use jet fuel have been found to have filler nozzles that are too small for the oval spout. Fortunately, some of these can be modified to the large size but others remain a problem.

4. The real "zinger" in the program is people who "bad-mouth" the idea, just because it is different from what they are accustomed to.

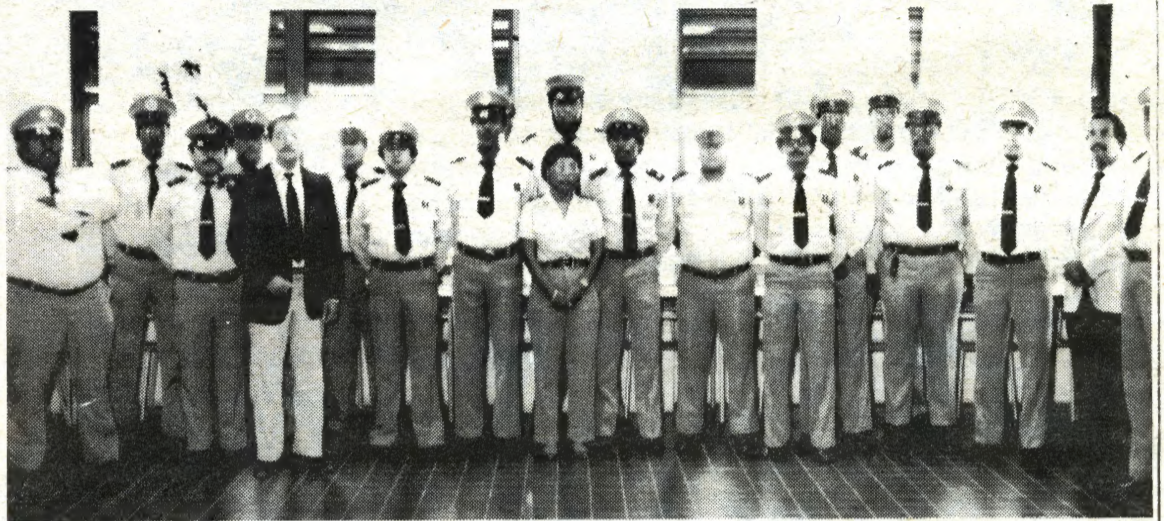
For Example:

a. Some line personnel say that the new spout causes excessive splash-back in the Cessna Citations and

Beech King Airc. Tests that have been run in the last few weeks, show that round spouts also will cause the same splash-back problem at the same flow rate. The difficulty is that the fuel at the same flow rate. The difficulty is that the fuel cannot flow

down the slope (dihedral of the wing rapidly because of the small holes in the wing structure.

b. Some people say absolutely that the shape of the oval spout causes a spray pattern that results in splash-back. This is pure "bunk".



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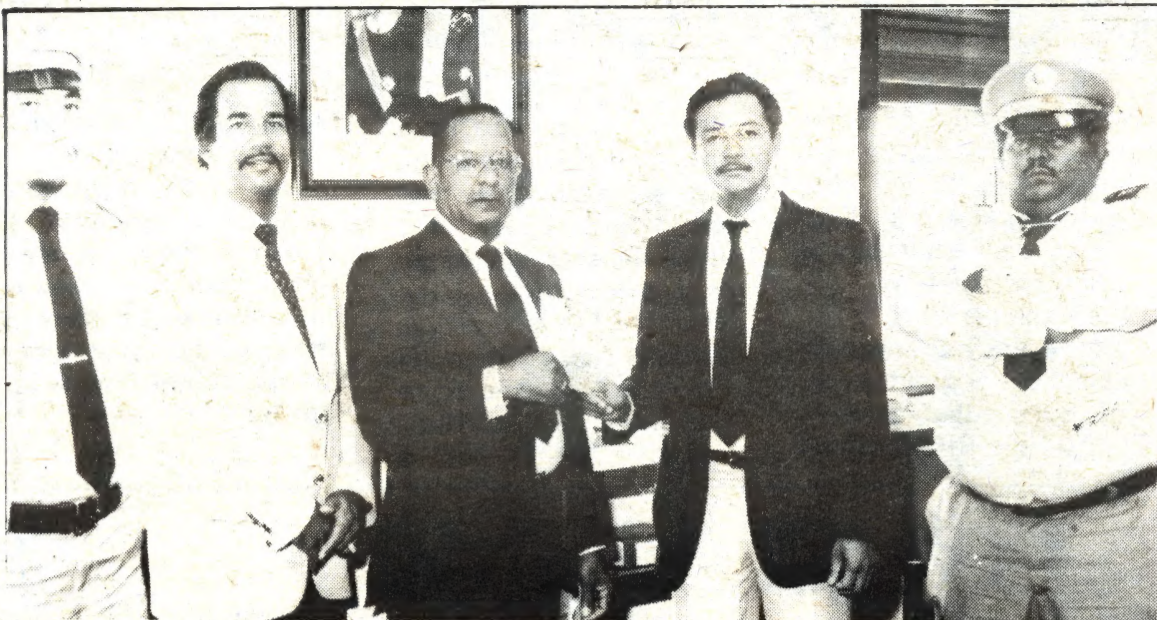
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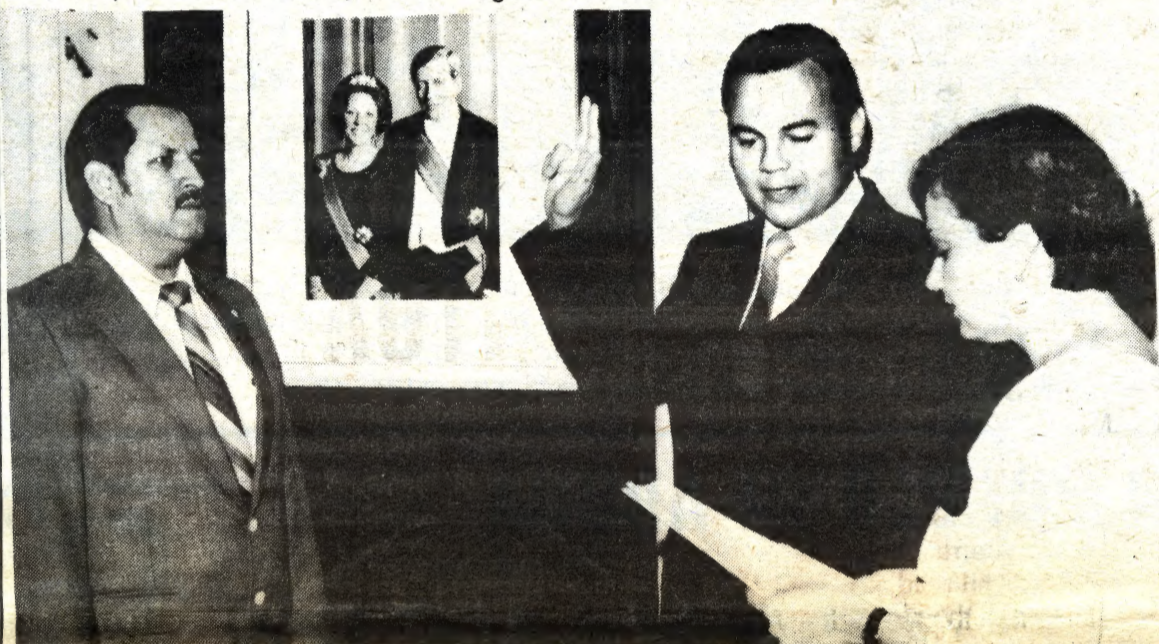
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ORANJESTAD—Mr. G. I. Scharbaay (left center) observed his 30th anniversary in the Customs Department. He received a letter of gratitude from the Prime Minister of the Netherlands Antilles. Mr. R. K. Gietel, Inspector of import taxes and revenue presented the letter to Mr. Scharbaay in the presence of Customs Dept. head Mr. C. Goeloe, (second from left) and colleagues.



ORANJESTAD—Dr. Donald Segundo Bermudez took the oath of office in the presence of Governor Pedro Bislip. Dr. Bermudez is stationed at the Public Health Office in Oranjestad.

## ARUBA HOSPITALITY TRADES TO OFFER HOTEL COURSES

The Aruba Hospitality Trades Training Center will be offering several hotel courses. Courses will start on February 24, and will last until April 20, 1985. The courses are aimed specifically at the shortage of trained and qualified personnel at the entry level. The courses given are:  
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## SAN NICOLAS LIBRARY OPEN ON MARCH 4

SAN NICOLAS—After being closed for about a year for repairs, the branch of the Public Library in San Nicolas will reopen on March 4.

The library is located on the top floor of the auxiliary government building in San Nicolas. Opening

hours are from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Monday, Tuesday and Friday, and on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 2 to 5.30 p.m. The library branch in the centro di Bario Dakota will also open on Tuesday from 4 to 8 p.m. and Friday from 5 to 7 p.m.

## BETICO CROES ATTACKED

ORANJESTAD—M.E.P. Leader Betico Croes was attacked by two men last week Tuesday night on the pier in front of the Bali floating restaurant. According to

reports, Mr. Croes was in the restaurant with some people when he was approached by a man and was asked to come outside for a moment. Another man was waiting on the pier and a discussion was started with Betico. The discussion became heated and both men started ac-

cusing Betico of "sinking Aruba", and one of the men struck Betico and threatened to throw him in the sea and "end it once and for all".

The incident was later reported to the police and both men Maduro & Boekhoudt were arrested the following day.

## Y.M.C.A. TO START P.E.P. COURSES

SAN NICOLAS—The Y.M.C.A. will start a series of courses in its centres in San Nicolas and Dakota on February 25. The courses will have a duration of 14 weeks and each lesson will be for 1 hour and a half, the course will include: aerobics, cake making, first aid, sewing, cooking, snacks, cake decorating, create food, handicraft, Spanish and Papiamentu, typing and English.

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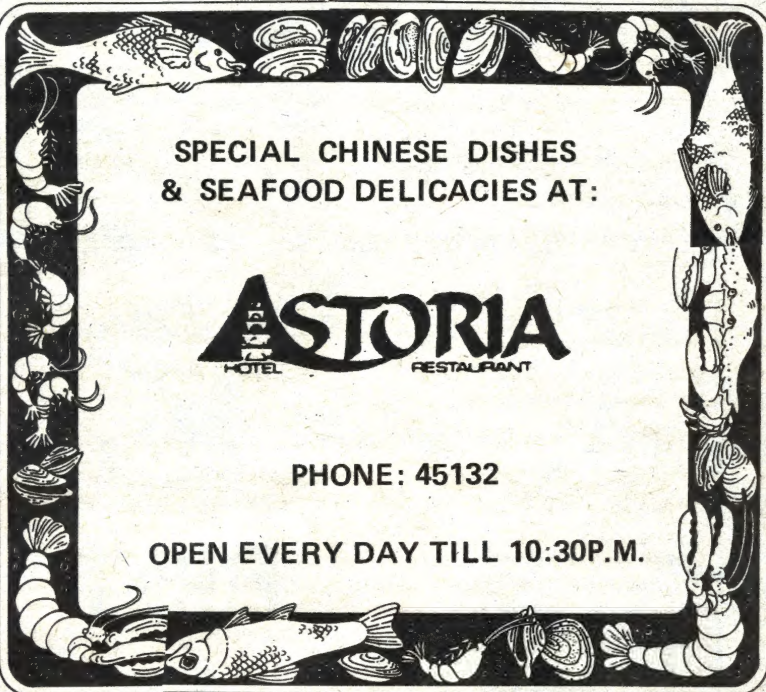
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## HENK TIMMER REVEALS A CANDID VIEW FO THE CURRENT SITUATION

By Observer  
Mr. Henk Timmer is a well known member of the community with a keen sense of observation. His written contributions are always well read and quoted for their accuracy and frankness. The following is a reprint of one of Mr. Timmer's articles which appeared in the January edition of ATIA News, titled:

**The Painful Process of Adaptation.**  
Aruba must adjust itself to the new reality of an economy without Lago. Each year Lago paid almost 100 million in salaries, wages and social fits, and it Lago purchased merchandise on the island for a very considerable amount of money. A variety of enterprises depend entirely or partially on Lago for their

service. The government received almost 50 percent of its income, directly or indirectly, due to the presence of this refinery. If all this disappears at once, it implies much more than the mere closing down of a plant. It is nothing less than an economic disaster. Every comparison is imperfect, but Eindhoven without Philips, Detroit without its automobile industry, West land without agriculture or Rotterdam without its harbor and without Pernis, are some examples which come to mind. If the Netherlands, all of a sudden, no longer has any natural gas, the government loses 18 percent of its budget. Aruba loses 50 percent of its income with the departure of Lago, thus more or less triply. That this disaster hits

Aruba, especially now, after a period of years of a large government income will make the adjustment even more painful. Our government have hardly counted, during the good years, that bad years might be ahead and have reserved almost nothing of the additional 300 million of income taxes received from Lago in the period 1979-1984. This very short-sighted, but extenuating circumstances show that the same happened in Curacao with the millions of additional income from the off-shore sector, and in The Netherlands with the natural gas profits. It seems extremely difficult for a government to reserve this kind of income for investments to create a buffer for bad times. The temptation to spend is great. The Netherlands has spent it to improve their social programs and to expand the social benefits state, which could not be maintained during the recession even with the billions of profits out of natural gas.

Nowadays The Netherlands are going through a painful period of adaptation and various sectors amongst other public officers had to give up about 20 percent of their bu-

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ORANJESTAD—On Friday, February 8, Mr. Augustin Brete celebrated his 25th anniversary as an employee of the Telephone Service Department. Engineer Edwin Croes, Head of the department presented the customary envelope with contents to Mr. Brete in the presence of his family and a colleague.

## HENK TIMMER REVERALS From page 9

ying power already. Not only the additional income will disappear for Aruba, but with the departure of Lago the entire economic basis of the island is put in danger. In Curacao the additional income from profit taxes of the offshore sector will continue for some but there the adaptation will also become urgent and painful within a short while.

**A Step Backwards For Everyone.**  
The adjustment to the new reality will affect everyone. For the government did subsidize sufficient income at times. Making water costs a lot more than we pay for. The same thing goes for electricity. The subventions must gradually be eliminated. The cost of medical assistance will have to go

down and the possibility to get free medical assistance must be restricted. Bus fares must go up. School classes must become larger. Scholarships scarcer; sport events and exchanges paid by the government, more of an exception than a rule who are still working for the government, but who are already entitled to a pension must be sent home—it is said that it concerns 20 percent of the government personnel—and at TAV the people who receive pension or other income or who already receive AOV, must leave. An investigation will be necessary. Young people must be prepared

for employment in the private sector through transitory payment regulations and retraining. The private sector will also have to take giant steps backwards. Shops focused

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## HENK TIMMER REVEAL

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on tourism already experienced a blow due to the loss of the easy spending Venezuelan tourist and see themselves confronted with a low turnover and personnel expenses which can hardly be covered. All sorts of companies which delivered to Lago or performed work for Lago have a very difficult time ahead. Commerce as a whole will also be affected because the bu-

ying power of the public will decrease in all aspects. The hotels have counter-balanced the loss of Venezuelan tourists by flying in as fast as possible, an additional number of American however, was done at the expense of room rates which are so low that the hotels now are not very profitable and can hardly cope with the drastically increased prices for water and electricity.

### New Impulses Are Necessary

The situation which the Aruban economy will find itself in, after the departure of Lago, can only improve if this economy receives new strong impulses. Apart from the search for petroleum under the sea-bottom, necessary but too strongly. First hotel expansions and new hotels should be realized.

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come an undesirable guardian for the Netherlands Antilles. The Aruba delegation is of the opinion that Holland must accept the responsibility for the less affluent islands. In order not to endanger the Status Aparte of Aruba the Aruba delegation sanctioned Minister de Koning's proposal. The viewpoint of the delegation is unchanged, but according to the developments at the Mini Summit Conference further steps must be deliberated, according to a declaration from the Aruba delegation. . .

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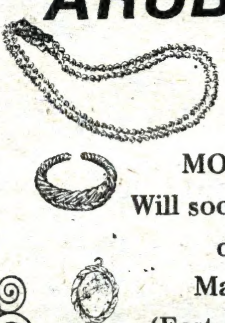

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